Minutes of a Meeting
Held on Saturday 17th March 2018
Council Office, Lyric Theatre, Dinnington.

Present: David Smith (Chairman), David Dixon, Steve Moore (Group Secretary), Andy Milner (DSJTC), Brian Keeley, Pam Cotton, Brenda Keeley, Pauline Davies (DSJTC), Linda Banham, Dave Johnston,

In attendance: A.Towlerton

1. Apologies: James Simmonds (DSJTC), Racheal Gyte, Debra Bloor

   It was with much sorrow that the death of Graham Capper after a short illness was announced to the group. Graham was an active member and supporter of the DSJNP group and will be sorely missed by all group members. Our deepest sympathies go out to Graham’s wife and family.

2. To consider the key actions from the meeting held on 10th February 2018

   Minutes from 10th February meeting were accepted and approved as a true copy.

3. Rotherham Local Plan – Progress on Submitted Response

   Our response to the local plan consultation process has been made. There has been no response from RMBC to date and at this time there does not appear to be any fixed timescale for any future actions.

   D.D. informed the group that prior to close down of the consultation period there was a large number of responses from developers or their agents.

   It was agreed that a meeting with RMBC is now required in order to discuss our response to the consultation and gain an update from RMBC with regard to the new housing requirement calculations etc.

   D.S. to supply S.M. with a list of the RMBC cabinet members that we would wish to hold discussions with at the meeting. Once received S.M. will contact Rachel Overfield at RMBC to request a 2 hour meeting with the DSJNP sub-group. The sub-group will be Dave Smith, David Dixon and Steve Moore with support from Andrew Towlerton.

4. Adoption of Aecom Town Centre Survey into the Neighbourhood Plan

   A few minor changes have been made and the plan has now been adopted and will be written into the neighbourhood plan. The final survey report will also be placed by A.M. into the Facebook group.

   A.T. will place information from the report into applicable chapters of the Neighbourhood Plan with references made to applicable sections within the Town Centre report.

5. Confirmation and Review of Draft Chapters produced.

   A.T. will now feed completed chapters through to the group for review and approval.

   It was felt that the most difficult chapter to complete will be the housing chapter due to the current uncertainty in this area.
6. Design and Built Heritage Chapter.

The draft chapter for this area has been produced and issued to the group for discussion and review. This chapter looks at the built environment and includes policies which seek to conserve important heritage assets as well as how new developments can be designed and provide suitable infrastructure to cater for both the existing and immediate future needs of Dinnington.

This chapter blends itself into 3 main policy areas:

i. Dinnington Character Buildings and Structures of Local Heritage Interest
   
   Table 1 in this chapter mentions the old Colliery baths. These no longer exist so the reference should be removed.

ii. Design and New Infrastructure for New Development
   
   This chapter refers to the concerns that the current local infrastructure would need to be improved in order to meet planned new development in the area.

iii. Development Contributions
   
   Page 6 of the chapter shows the RMBC CIL funded priorities for the Dinnington area. Our own priorities should also be added to this list. The group have been requested to supply A.T. with suggestions for our own CIL either prior or at the next group meeting. This list should concentrate on Leisure requirements, Policing requirements appropriate to the size and growth of the area, modernisation of the town centre as indicated in the Aecom Town Centre survey etc.

It was agreed that there is a need to expand our 123 list and ensure that this is agreed to and signed off by RMBC to ensure that future agreed actions will be carried out.

A.T. will feed through the Community Facilities and the Natural Environment chapters for the next meeting.

7. Development Options for the East Street former Allotment Site

The final report on the site is now almost complete with the main aspect being the highways issue. The school is yet to be approached regarding a small piece of access land required. This will take place once the final report is available. The site could have up to 30 dwelling on it but this is totally dependent upon suitable access to the site being agreed and available.

8. To consider the theme of the next Steering Group Meeting.

Community Facilities and Local Green Spaces/Natural Environment.

Ideas for 123 list from group members.

9. Any other business.

   i. D.D. mentioned that all borough councils are required to produce a list of all brownfield sites that can be used for developments. He mentioned that the RMBC list is no longer accessible on their web site. It would be useful to try and get their list of brownfield sites and those brownfield sites highlighted for development.

   ii. The timescale for the completion of the Neighbourhood Plan also needs to be reassessed.

   iii. Two members of the group could not gain access to the Council Offices on the day of this meeting and they subsequently missed the meeting. It is proposed that for future meetings one member of the group remains in the lower office until the meeting is due to commence in order to ensure all group members can gain access to the building.

10. To confirm the date of next group meeting

Next full group meeting: 10.00 a.m. Saturday 21st April at Town Council Office next to the Lyric Theatre. (Apologies received from Brian and Brenda Keeley)